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EXAMINING GROUP 2133**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 09/976,491

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Inventor(s):

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Title: ASIC BIST EMPLOYING  
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OF COMPLETION

§ Examiner: Trimmings, J.  
§ Group/Art Unit: 2133  
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**AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF  
December 3, 2004**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of December 3, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.